

Superintendent Notes-10/6/09

Leadership Challenges

Continuing training for teachers - textbook-less ideas.

A lot of teachers have turned off their brains and given it to the textbook companies!

S-K is not buying anymore textbooks.

Skills that kids get from 1:1 exposure are skills that will prepare them for all jobs.

Have you filled in your row in this Google spreadsheet?

<http://spreadsheets.google.com/ccc?key=0Ag5R0Bxvvgf0TdFZmYIJWdE51MEUxRXU0MnJOQXNXWXc&hl=en>

I see leadership as a key element to the success just as it is to any other issue. Most people recognize that the world is changing, but they often think it will effect other and not me. The reactions from people as we have started our 1:1 have been from one end of the spectrum to the other. Lyle Schwartz, Supt., South Hamilton, Jewell, Iowa

Nice to be in a room with other leaders who don't say "yes but" when we bring up the possibilities of "what if" - Thanks to all participants for committing the time ~Jeff Dicks, Newell-Fonda.

DMACC connection from Crime Lab can assist with trainings and education for 1:1 schools.

I am thinking that all current schools are using Apple computers JCC

It is very important to reach out to business and industry during this time of change, they are willing partners.

How many of you are allowing Youtube, Facebook, and other social media in your classrooms?

NF: Allow it all but took facebook off for now until we can educate students. We will try again.

We are using some at SH but not all at this point.

Vail, AZ - textbooks

EMC - \$100 dedcutible? John Sefeld EMC

1to1 state meeting April 7 - Site to be determined - Exciting

Student leadership team assists in empowering them to police themselves

I think there is at least one that is not Apple (Clay Central ?) Clay Central does have a PC platform, it is my understanding is that compters do not go home with the kids with another coming soon, Pocahontas Area.

Are you a true 1:1 if you don't send the computers home with the kids?

"T and T" tips for parents GREAT Idea!

Rural Iowa Schools Update: Sara Keehn, Supt. United Community

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Strategy Resources

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Programs for the future? What will these look like? What collaboration can we utilize as 1:1 schools?

Microsoft suite on the Mac's

FT tech's for 1to1

How to get other leaders / districts on board?

How to assess progress and success?

Thoughts for the State Board of Education Technology Task Force?

Need to schedule future dates (2x per year?)

Nick: will collect 'business plans' from districts on how they've paid for 1:1

Central City School District: A Couple Questions/ Concerns:

Current Issues: 2nd year of implementation of a 4 year lease

*Battery problems

*Cord Issues

*Hard drives are not very durable

*Top case and bezels.

Notes:

The Plan for 2 years from now when our lease expires?

Apple vs PC?

Total Cost of Ownership?

Peripherals as part of the lease process?

Mimios, LCD Projectors, Mobies,

Paying for it with Pebble and Silo.

Collective Purchasing Agreements?

Common Problems and Solutions shared with similar situations.

RFP Process--Competitive Grant Process

Facebook, You Tube, IChat ---Too block or unblock ---that is the question. Teacher vs. Student access.
Option: Look it down for a period of time (due to violations, failing grades) or limit it to certain grades that are responsible enough to handle it. ?Is it possible to block by certain grade levels within your system?

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How do we get our schools to collaborate together?

*Idea for this year (4/7/09). Entire Staff or Representatives.

*Possible day or days for next year to get on the school calendar.

Textbooks ---Is it an old model that need to be replaced? Vail---Arizona

---Do virtual textbooks cost the same as the actual books?

Sigourney CSD is moving away from textbooks

---You have to communicate with your community colleges who are and will continue to use textbooks.

Standards and Benchmarks -- Teachers need to find resources online that meet the standards. (Not just be a slave to the textbook company or worksheets).

\$250 -- Van Meter and Bedfordand United
John Seefield (EMC)

Technology Intergration Speacialist

GEEK Squad or SWAT (Students with advanced training).

BOE Meetings --- PAPERLESS -- BOE Members each have one.

Area Partnerships --- How can we connect with area companies.

Netbook Adoptions

Pochahountas

Okoboji

VVM target to be textbook free in four years.

Computer Virus Steals \$325K from district

<http://www.eschoolnews.com/news/top-news/index.cfm?i=61006>

Social uses... appropriate uses, not restriction.

Elementary not givng up textbooks yet- fine line at our level.

Thinking about being stratigic in our next step. Political viewpoint

\$50 Electronic Whiteboard using a WiiRemote

WiiRemote

<http://johnnylee.net/projects/wii/>

The next steps

- K-12 PD day on April 7, 2010 TBA
- Legislative advocacy (and demonstrations of cool stuff we're doing)
- build grass roots support for 10-11 calendar with two common days
- EMC coordinate insurance
- Assess and "mile markers" for successful
- Get other leaders on board
- State Board Tech Task Force Scott is on and send him suggestions
- Funding through legislative advocacy
- January 2010 Meeting
- Relationship building with Business
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- Van Meter will host so we can see VR equipment in operation
- Sigourney would also be a place to be.
- Business and Industry should be at the next meeting with Supts.
- Networking subject area teachers with an email resource.